CHAPTER NO. 754

HOUSE BILL NO. 2986

By Representatives Arriola, Ferguson, Odom

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3002

By Senator Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-106, relative to certificate of need requirements for linear accelerator services in hospitals with three hundred (300) or more licensed beds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-106(a), is amended by inserting at the end of subdivision (4) the language ". The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the initiation of linear accelerator services by a general acute care hospital with three hundred (300) or more licensed beds, including beds licensed for mental health and skilled nursing services; provided that, coinciding with the initiation of linear accelerator services, such hospital or affiliate thereof ceases to provide linear accelerator services at another location within the same metropolitan statistical area".

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 8, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 18th day of May 2000